

EL PASO FACES SUGAR FAMINE

City Now Has Less Than 500 Sacks to Supply Demand.

Calves efforts of the chamber of commerce to obtain sugar from Mexico within the next day or two, El Paso is in danger of absolute famine in this commodity.

John Regan, assistant manager of the chamber of commerce, wired to Charles E. Brennan, state food controller, at San Antonio, Tuesday asking exactly what this city could expect. At the same time, Mr. Regan sent a telegram to the Great Western Sugar company, Denver, asking that at least 2500 sacks of sugar be allocated to El Paso. This amount will be required to last the city to January 1. The supply is now less than 500 sacks.

Being Held in Colorado.

A telegram from John A. Hopper, in New York, to the chamber of commerce said that the food administration was unable to allow sugar to El Paso and that the American Sugar Refining company refused to do so. Mr. Hopper said he was advised that sugar was being held in Colorado in large amounts until the price went up.

Meantime, the chamber of commerce awaits a reply from Mexico to the request for sugar filed last week with the Justice chamber of commerce. The chamber of commerce offered to buy 2500 sacks of Mexican sugar.

Price Jumped Higher.

The Justice chamber of commerce wired to Mexico City for permission to release the sugar to El Paso. Pending the answer of the Mexican government, the price of sugar in Juárez went up \$1 a sack.

Some reluctance is expected on the part of local jobbers to pay a price much higher than the regular market price for sugar. The wholesaler is allowed only \$1 profit on 100 pounds of sugar over and above freight costs. That is, after a 2 percent discount for cash has been taken. The retailer is allowed \$1.50 per 100 pounds profit.

Girl Tells Story Of Alleged Plot To Rob in Saloon

Three Men Bound Over to Federal Grand Jury at Hearing.

Full details of an alleged plot to make her and another girl "professional vamps" were related before United States Commissioner A. J. Schmidt Monday afternoon in the preliminary hearing of Tony Bernick, Frank Johnson and Jim Murphy, charged with conspiracy to persuade the girls to cross the river to Juárez. Following the hearing Bernick's bond was set at \$1000 and that of the other two at \$500, for appearance before the next federal grand jury.

Lillie Walker was the principal witness. The girl said she had been offered \$50 a day, with jewelry and elegant clothing, if she would lure Americans into a saloon in Juárez and give them knockout drops in their whiskey, so that she and the others might rob them.

The girl testified that her first offer came from a chauffeur, who knocked on her hotel room door and told her to meet him in a booth in "Coffee Joe's" restaurant. There, she said, she met the others and learned that it was planned for another girl to work with her in luring patrons of the saloon into trouble. She said it was planned to cross the boundary at the foot of Pedras street.

Miss Walker testified that she had worked in several shows here and that prior to coming here she worked in a cafe in El Paso.

Detective Claude Smith was the only other witness examined.

Bernick is said to be the proprietor of a saloon in Juárez.

ATTORNEY GIVES REPORT ON FEES

More Than Ten Thousand Dollars Collected In Year.

Fees collected by the county attorney's office for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1919, total \$10,112.35. The expenses of the county attorney's office for the year were \$1936.53. A balance of \$8175.82 was remitted to the county treasurer. The report showing these figures was filed Tuesday by county attorney Will H. Phelps before W. D. Howe, judge of the 34th district court.

The following shows fees collected from each court and the expenses of the office:

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Las Cruces Man Heads El Paso Grocery Corp.

Standard Chain of Stores Sold; Founders in the Wholesale Business.

John May, senior partner in the John H. May Grocery company, at Las Cruces for many years, has come to El Paso and purchased an interest in the Standard Grocery company, owning a chain of stores in El Paso, becoming its president.

R. C. Walsh has become vice president and J. D. Clark, for many years secretary and manager of the Standard Grocery company, has become secretary and treasurer of the company.

W. H. Macdonald, former manager of the Standard's No. 1 store, and W. D. Clark, former manager of Standard store No. 2, with the new officers, make up the new board of directors.

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YOUNG RECEIVES JURY ACQUITTAL

Free H. M. Young of Charges For Slaying Sanchez.

Tale bearing led to the killing of T. J. Sanchez, El Paso attorney, on the evening of September 12, according to testimony of the widow of the dead man, given Monday in the 34th district court, where H. M. Young faced a charge of murder in connection with the death of her husband.

"My husband told me," said Mrs. Sanchez, "that a man named Griffith told him that I had been going with Young. I denied having ever gone with him, and I told my husband to take me to Griffith and make him say that before me."

After this statement, according to the evidence, Sanchez and his wife left an automobile and went to the house of Griffith, who was a neighbor of the Youngs, where the shooting took place. Young was acquitted. The jury was out only minutes before a verdict was reached.

It was almost a record case from the standpoint of time. The case was called at 2 p. m. Monday. The jury was selected by noon. Testimony was finished at 4 o'clock, and arguments lasted only an hour.

The chief witness for the defense was Young's little 15 year old girl. She is in the sixth grade at school. She used scholarly language and did not hesitate or pause in answering cross questions of the prosecuting attorney.

"I was cooking supper," she testified, when my sister, Lucille, came in and said a man wanted to see papa. My papa was in the back yard. Jerrell told me it was the same man who had come to our home in July looking for papa.

"I became interested and went to the window and looked out. I recognized Mr. Sanchez as the man who had been at our home before. He and my father walked toward the door standing out in the street, as they walked Mr. Sanchez was talking in an excited tone, and in a noisy like manner. I could not hear all the conversation, but after they got to the car I heard Mr. Sanchez introduce a woman in the automobile as his wife."

Picture Scene.

The girl at request of attorneys, placed the attorneys in just the position her father, mother and Sanchez and the car were at the time of the killing. Then she was asked to tell what she heard her father say after he had fired the fatal shot.

"My papa said he shot to defend himself and to save the honor of his family," she said.

Federico Gonzalez, the chauffeur, described the drive over the city morning and afternoon, going from place to place under Sanchez's orders. He said he saw the killing.

Sanchez Was Anxious.

Jerrell Young, another daughter also testified. She said she answered the door when Sanchez went to the Young home on the evening of the shooting. "I saw that Sanchez was angry," she said. "My father was in the back yard and I went and told him a man wanted him at the front door and that he was mad."

"Sanchez went waving his left hand in the air as he argued about something. He kept his right hand in his pocket. I heard Sanchez say something about \$100, but I don't know what it was about."

"After the shooting I heard father say he did it to save himself and to protect the honor of his family."

Claims Self Defense.

Young, the last witness on the stand, said he fired in self defense. "When my daughter called me I was in the back yard and went through the house to the front door," said he. "There I saw a man I had never seen before in my life. As far as I know, 'Are you Mr. Young?' he said. I said yes. 'Sanchez is my name,' he said. 'There is a party out here in the car who wishes to see you.'"

"That's my wife," he said, introducing me to Mrs. Sanchez. I tipped my hat and spoke. That is true that

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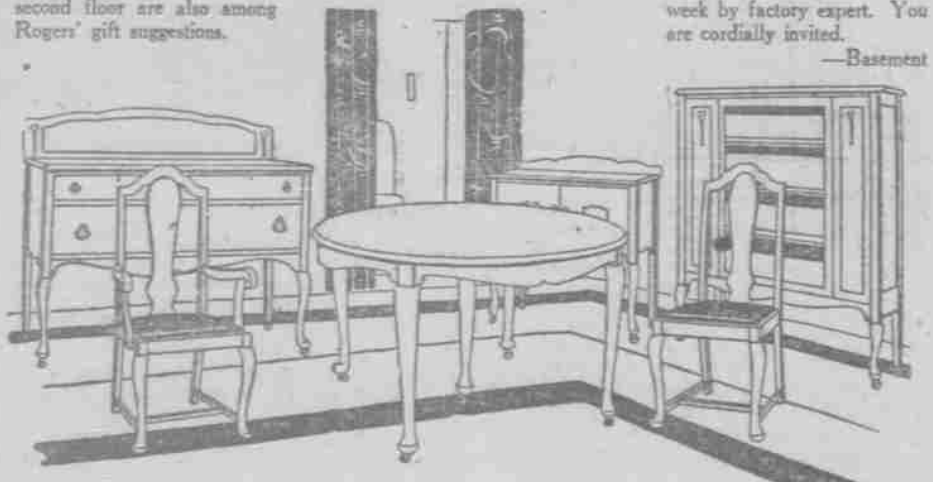
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BOY RUN OVER BY AUTO AND SERIOUSLY INJURED

Gabriel Herrera, seven year old son of Rafael Herrera, Ninth and Santa Fe streets, is in the county hospital in a critical condition as a result of an accident which occurred Monday night. The boy was struck by an automobile driven by N. S. Plummer, Lockie hotel, and two weeks passed over his abdomen, inflicting dangerous internal injuries. He was rushed to the police emergency hospital and later was taken to the county hospital. The accident occurred near the boy's home.

STOREKEEPER ROBBED OF \$50 AT POINT OF REVOLVER

According to city detectives a thief held up and robbed E. J. Valoetta, proprietor of a grocery store at Copie and Main streets on Sunday night. The storekeeper told the police he was forced to stand at the point of a revolver and watch the thief take between \$30 and \$40 from the cash register. No clue has been found.

Another thief was less successful Monday night when he attempted to enter the home of William Smith, 1012 San Jacinto street. Smith called the police and then fired several shots at the fleeing robber, who escaped.

DISMISSED LIQUOR CHARGE AT PRELIMINARY HEARING

Frank Fisher, charged with supplying liquor in the manufacture of distilled liquors, was discharged following a hearing before United States Commissioner A. J. W. Schmidt Tuesday morning.

Fisher and his wife were arrested by federal agents in their home, on Rivera street Saturday. Mrs. Fisher said at the time that her husband had nothing to do with the alleged manufacture of the liquor. A test proved that the liquor in question contained 41 percent alcohol, government officers reported.

CONSIDER STAGE PERMITS

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 16.—The Arizona corporation commission today held a hearing on applications for the issuance of certificates of competency and convenience for automobile stage lines to be operated in the vicinity of Phoenix.

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